

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
John S. Petty)
Serial No. TBA)
Filed: TBA)
For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR**
ELECTRICALLY COUPLING DIGITAL DEVICES)
Coats & Bennett Docket No. 4015-1812)

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Preliminary Amendment Accompanying DIVISIONAL Application

For the DIVISIONAL application of prior application 09/252,008, please make the following amendments to the claims.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-10 and 19-20 without prejudice.

Remarks

This is a DIVISIONAL of application serial no. 09/252,008, filed February 16, 1999.

Remaining claims 11-18 were an unelected group subject to restriction.

Respectfully submitted,
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